

Summer Activities for Alexandria's Children & Youth

2011



Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services
Office of Youth Services
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OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME OPPORTUNITIES SUMMER 2011

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ALEXANDRIA LIBRARY June 23 - August 4, 2011

The Alexandria Library will host a series of special events for ages 6 to 12 (SummerQuest) and ages 0-5 (SummerQuest Junior). For more information, call the Library Administrative Office at 703.746.1701.

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| Beatley Central | Wednesdays @ 4 p.m. | June 29 - August 3 | Ages 6-12 only |
| Duncan Branch | Varying Days @ 3:30 pm | June 29 - August 3 | Ages 6-12 only |
| Burke Branch | Varying Days @ 4 and 7 p.m. | June 28 - August 4 | Call 703.746.1704 |
| Barrett Branch | Varying Days and Times | June 23 – July 28 | Ages 2 & up |

FREE SUMMER LUNCH FOR YOUTH June 27 - August 19, 2011

Free lunches and/or snacks will be provided to any City youth ages 18 years-old and younger on weekdays at Charles Houston, Cora Kelly, Mt. Vernon, Nannie J. Lee, Patrick Henry, and William Ramsay Recreation Centers; and summer playgrounds at Ben Brenman Park, James Mulligan Park, John Adams, and MacArthur. Free lunches/snacks will also be available at the Summer Power-Up Program, the Boys and Girls Club, the ARHA Ruby Tucker Family Center, Brent Place, and Gethsemane Church of God. Campagna Kids Summer Camps and the Northern Virginia Urban League will be providing lunches/snacks for youth enrolled in their programs. For more information call the Recreation Services Division Office at 703.746.5429.

FREE SUMMER SCHOOL MEALS July 5 - August 12, 2011

Alexandria City Public Schools Food and Nutrition Services will be providing meals at no charge to all students at all summer school sites. Free breakfast and lunch will be available weekdays July 5-29 at George Washington and Hammond Middle Schools, and T. C. Williams High School. Free meals will be available at all elementary schools and K-Prep programs weekdays August 1-12.

OFFICE OF HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA**Civil War Kids Camp****June 27 - July 1**

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Fort Ward Museum & Historic Site 4301 West Braddock Road

Children ages 8 through 12 are introduced to life during the Civil War through activities such as drilling, craft projects, Civil War food and music, visits by re-enactors, nineteenth-century games, lessons on Civil War flags, and setting up Civil War tents. \$200 fee includes camp registration, snacks, kepi, equipment, and crafts.

703.746.4848 www.fortward.org

Family Tour Day**July 3, July 24, and August 21**

1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Gadsby's Tavern Museum 134 North Royal Street

Tour the historic tavern at a leisurely pace with Junior Docents (volunteers from grades 3 through 7) stationed at each stop of the tour.

703.746.4242 www.gadsbystavern.org

Friendship Firehouse Festival**August 6**

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Friendship Firehouse Museum 107 South Alfred Street

Free event celebrates the 237th anniversary of the Friendship Fire Company, which was founded in 1774. The festival will feature birthday cake, craft and food vendors, and a special display of antique and modern firefighting equipment.

703.746.3891 www.friendshipfirehouse.net

Tavern Day**August 6**

1 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Gadsby's Tavern Museum 134 North Royal Street

Experience Alexandria's five-star hotel of the 18th century whose guests included George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams. Free event features tours by costumed guides, period music, and light refreshments.

703.746.4242 www.gadsbystavern.org

Civil War Camp Day**August 13**

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Fort Ward 4301 West Braddock Road

Event will feature Union and Confederate camp life, early-war uniforms and equipment, drills and firing demonstrations, a medical impression, and civilian interpreters; units include the 5th New York "Duryee" Zouaves; the 1st U.S. Artillery, Co. D, and the 17th Virginia Infantry (Fairfax Rifles). Admission is \$5 each for adults and \$10 for families with children.

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YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL**July 30, 2011**

Noon- 4 p.m.

The Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA) in conjunction with the Alexandria Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities, EYA, Northern Virginia Urban League, and Alexandria Commission of the Arts will host the 2nd Annual Youth Arts Festival at the Jefferson Houston School Park. This year's theme is "Art Comes Naturally" and the festival will showcase talents of all youth around the City as well as provide a forum for expression of both visual and performing arts. Among the local talent performing will be the Afficials, Urban Inspiration, and ACCT as well as youth from all of the City's recreation centers. In addition to live performances, there will be puppet shows, fine arts displays, interactive workshops, poetry readings, opportunities for youth to sell their art, food vendors, and music. For additional information contact Mkenya Dilworth-Abdulla at 703.746.5550.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

ACPS KINDERGARTEN PREPARATION (K-PREP)

August 1 - 12

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Each elementary school except Samuel W. Tucker and Mount Vernon will offer the Kindergarten Prep program. Registration closes July 1. Contact elementary school for additional information.

THE CAMPAGNA CENTER

Amazing Discoveries Summer Camp

June 27 - July 22 (Session I)

7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

July 25 - August 19 (Session II)

7 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Summer programming for children grades K-5 offered Monday through Friday at Patrick Henry (first session only), John Adams, and Maury Elementary Schools.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES

Kids are Terrific (KAT) Camp 2011

June 27 - July 28

KAT Camp will be offered to youth ages 8-12 at ten locations: Patrick Henry Recreation Center, Mount Vernon Recreation Center, Nannie J. Lee Recreation Center, John Adams Recreation Center, Charles Houston Recreation Center, Cora Kelly Recreation Center, Charles Barrett Recreation Center, William Ramsay Recreation Center, Community Lodgings Learning Center, and Brent Place Apartments. Educational sessions on tobacco and alcohol prevention, negative peer pressure refusal, anger management, and nutrition promotion as well as field trips, and a family picnic. For additional information contact Tricia Bassing at 703.746.3473 or tricia.bassing@alexandriava.gov.

OFFICE OF HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA

Clio's Kids: A History Mini-Camp

July 19 - July 21

9 a.m. - Noon

The Lyceum 201 South Washington Street

Introduces ages 5-7 to American history and life in historic Alexandria through artifacts, storytelling, singing, crafts, "old-fashioned" games, and visits to nearby historic places during three-day camp. The theme is transportation in and around Alexandria in the past and today. Advance registration required; fee of \$105 includes snacks and souvenirs.

703.746.4994 www.alexandriahistory.org

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Middle School Summer School

July 5 - July 29

Session I: 7:25 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Session II: 11:15 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

There will be two sessions at George Washington and Hammond Middle Schools for students in grades 5-7. Registration closes June 29. Contact student's guidance counselor for additional information.

Middle School Summer School (Jefferson-Houston)

July 18 - August 12

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Registration closes June 29, 2011. Contact student's guidance counselor for additional information.

High School Summer School

July 5 - July 29

Session I: 7:25 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Session II: 11:15 a.m. - 2:50 p.m.

Summer School for 8th - 12th graders will be located at T.C. Williams. Registration closes June 29. Contact student's guidance counselor for additional information.

ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)

Program affords students the opportunity to explore careers and to improve competencies in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Because there will be a limited number of participants, a lottery system will be used to select students. Notification of selections will be made on July 1. Payment will be collected once students are selected.

Online Learning Opportunities

Online courses are available for credit recovery, learning while traveling, or taking electives. Laptops and internet access will be provided to all students. For additional information contact Mary Fluharty at 703.963.9012, mary.fluharty@acps.k12.va.us or visit <http://aventalearning.com/curriculum/high-school>

NORTHERN VIRGINIA URBAN LEAGUE

Digital Connectors

June 20 - August 12

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Students ages 16-19 will increase computer and internet knowledge, and acquire entrepreneurship and life skills. Each student will receive a personal laptop, flip camera and a \$500 stipend as well as a Cisco Certificate of Completion in IT essentials. Participation is limited to 15 students. The program meets from Monday through Friday and breakfast and lunch will be served each day. For additional information, contact 571.327.1315 or Digital@nvul.org

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Youth Academy 2011

August 16 - 18

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Youth ages 11-18 go behind the scenes of the Detention Center and the Courthouse, and learn the different facets of Corrections and Law Enforcement. For additional information contact Deputy Monique Edwards at 703.746.5017.

LIBERTY'S PROMISE

Internship Program

Low-income, documented immigrant youth ages 15 - 21 serve as interns with a nonprofit or government agency. Internships are 20-40 hours a week for eight weeks and a modest travel allowance is provided. Each intern receives resume, cover letter, and interview training. The application is available at www.libertyspromise.org. Contact Pamela Daley at 703.549.9950 or pdaley@libertyspromise.org for additional information.

JOB LINK

TeensWork!

An ongoing initiative that helps City residents between the ages of 14-21 obtain and keep employment throughout the year. Applicants who have documentation of an Individualized Education Plan (I.E.P.), a disability, or who qualify for free lunch are automatically eligible to participate.

Public Program: six-week summer work experience with government and non-profit agencies; must be 14 or 15 years old and meet income requirements. 16-21 years old may qualify if they have never worked before or have a disability.

Private Program: youth ages 16-21 work with a counselor and are enrolled in various workshops to become employable individuals and compete for jobs with private companies.

Workforce Investment Act (W.I.A.) Program: a counselor assesses need for employment, education and training. To participate a resident must be 14-21 years old, meet income guidelines, and be within one or more of the following categories: dropout, pregnant or parenting, offender, homeless, runaway, foster child, deficient in basic literacy skills (IEP), or an individual (including one with disabilities) who requires additional assistance in school or employment .

703.746.5940